

To: CN=Ayn Schmit/OU=R8/O=USEPA/C=US@EPA[]
Cc: CN=Gregory Oberley/OU=R8/O=USEPA/C=US@EPA;CN=Richard Mylott/OU=R8/O=USEPA/C=US@EPA[]; N=Richard Mylott/OU=R8/O=USEPA/C=US@EPA[]
Bcc: []
From: CN=Kate Fay/OU=R8/O=USEPA/C=US
Sent: Tue 7/17/2012 4:45:42 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: UW Grad Student Researching Pavillion

Yes.

Kate Fay
Senior Advisor
Energy and Climate
Office of the Regional Administrator
U.S. EPA Region 8
303.910.2830 (cell)
303.312.6432 (office)

From: Ayn Schmit/R8/USEPA/US
To: Richard Mylott/R8/USEPA/US@EPA, Kate Fay/R8/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Gregory Oberley/R8/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 07/17/2012 10:43 AM
Subject: Fw: UW Grad Student Researching Pavillion

Please advise- I'm envisioning we should probably go with the standard "not commenting while our public comment period/peer review process is ongoing..." message.

Ayn E. Schmit
Water Policy Advisor

(PH) 303-312-6220 (FAX) 303-312-7150
EPA Region 8
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, Colorado 80202-1129
schmit.ayn@epa.gov

----- Forwarded by Ayn Schmit/R8/USEPA/US on 07/17/2012 09:51 AM -----

From: Kaitlyn Watts <(b) (6)>
To: Ayn Schmit/R8/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: "Teena J. Gabrielson" <tgabrie1@uwyo.edu>
Date: 07/17/2012 08:52 AM
Subject: UW Grad Student Researching Pavillion

Dear Ms. Schmit,

My name is Kaitlyn Watts and I am a graduate student at The University of Wyoming. I recently had a meeting with Wes Martel, of the Shoshone Business Council, who suggested that I speak with you in regards to my research.

I am conducting research for my master's thesis on the relationship between people's perception of an

environmental conflict and the strategies they use to persuade public policy. The case study that I am using to further investigate this issue is the conflict in Pavillion, WY over hydraulic fracturing and the potential for water contamination. I have conducted interviews with various actors in this situation including landowners, BLM officials, tribal members, and NGO affiliates. In addition, I am seeking the perspective of the EPA.

I understand that you have had a degree of involvement in this issues, and I would be interested in hearing about your perspective. Would you have the time and be willing to share your perspective on this issue in an interview? Or would you know of someone in your agency that would be willing to give their time to this research?

Please feel free to contact me via email or phone number, which ever is most convenient for you.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn Watts
Master's Student Political Science/ENR
TA Political Science
University of Wyoming
1000 E. University Ave, Laramie, WY 82070
(970)-290-5766

This research is funded through grants from The School of Energy Resources, The College of Arts and Sciences, and Environment and Natural Resources at The University of Wyoming.